

1855

the Jennie Clark (steam powered sternwheeler) was placed in service on the Columbia R.

Fast & maneuverable, the paddlewheeler was to dominate ship traffic on the Columbia River for nearly a century.

1855

No. of slaves in Texas = 105,704

Cotton was the most important
cash crop

Some picked as much
as 300 pounds of cotton in
one day

1855

British inventor named COWAN
patented a tractor - shaped vehicle
based on the steam tractor

1855

The first seismograph was
invented.

1855

U.S.S. Constitution retired from
battle duty - served as a
naval training ship

Constitution was never defeated.

1855

Mexico

After the U.S. War Santa Anna returned to power as "perpetual dictator", but he was overthrown by a revolution started in 1854 at AYUTLA

C1855
1806-1861

1912 Dates J-BK England
Elizabeth Barrett Browning

Poet

Published poems in 1844

Married Browning 1846

1850 Sonnets from the Portuguese

Feb 24, 1855

U.S. Court of Claims
Pres. Franklin Pierce enacted
law setting up first Court
of Claims for U.S. Citizens

Jan 26, 1855

Battle of Chernaya (Chernaya)

Piedmontese troops of Count di
Cavour helped British and
French win victory in
Crimean War.

1855

Major Robert E. Lee was commissioned
Lieutenant Colonel of the Second
Cavalry and served for
3 years in Texas, doing
border patrol and Indian
Service.

1855

Democrat reform movement
in Mexico led by BENITO
JUAREZ overthrew the
dictatorship of Antonio
Lopez de Santa Anna. &
drafted a liberal constitution
Civil War followed

Sep 8, 1855

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MALAKOFF

Toward the close of the Crimean War
the allied forces of the French
and English turned their attention
to Malakoff, a hill near SEBASTOPOL
which the Russians had fortified. The
first attack was a failure, but about
3 mos later the stronghold was
taken by the French.

1855

Mexico

Revolution of AYUTLA led to
downfall of Santa Anna.

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(1788-1855) RAGLAN, LORD FITZROY JAMES
HENRY SOMERSET

English field marshal. Distinguished
in the Peninsular and Crimean
Wars. In the latter he was (1853-1856)
commander of the English forces.

1855

Congress finally passed a law
making the use of stamps compulsory.
People came to the postoffice for
their mail.

1855

Gasoline Automobile
invented by Karl Benz
(1844-1929)

1855-1860

Bluding Kansas

Territory of Kansas terrorized
by raids and civil war
between pro and anti-slavery
groups, between Border
Ruffians and Free State men
(Jayhawkers).